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## Scout Troop 89 Receive Court Of Honor Awards

Boy Scout Troop 89, sponsored by the Agawam Lion's Club, held its first Court-of-Honor of the season last Thursday, Nov. 21 at the Phelps School. Eugene Ouimette, the Ramapogue District Commander, presented the Bronze Palm award to Richard Donovan, Robert Gingras and Robert Moore, Jr. This rank requires a total of 26 merit badges of which 21 were earned for Eagle.

Jerry Badger, the Aquatic Director, at the Moses Scout reservation in Woronoco, was the guest speaker of the evening. The subject of his talk was water safety and skin diving. Every parent present witnessed an excellent demonstration of safety equipment used at camp and a detail outline of all safety precautions practiced while their sons are swimming.

The Court-of-Honor was directed by Richard Gingras, committeeman, in charge of troop advancement who made the following awards:

**TENDERFOOT** — Gary Adams, Dale Bewes, Thomas Case, Edward Fredette, Larry Hall, Charles Kistner, David Lacroix, Andrew Nieroda, Joseph Sorenson, Gary Williams.

**SECOND CLASS** — William Barker, Gerald Deblois, Richard Leamy, Daniel Moore, Richard Sagan, William Wagner.

**FIRST CLASS** — Mark Andrews, Stephen Nooney, Richard Sagan.

**STAR SCOUT** — Gary Mayo, David Reed.

**MERIT BADGES**—Roger Adams, Jr., Mark Andrews, Richard Donovan, Robert Gingras, Rich-

ard Hill, Eric Johnson, Kevin Littlefield, Harold Lynch, Robert Manseau, Gary Mayo, Robert Moore, Jr., Joseph O'Rourke, James Ramah, David Reed and Kenneth Rydell.

## Reception Sunday For Miss McVeigh

The Agawam Center Library Association invites all townspeople to a reception at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 1, from 3 until 5, for Miss Clara J. McVeigh who is retiring after 38 years of devoted and continuous service as librarian in Agawam.

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## Catholic Bishop's Clothing Drive Now In Progress

"Give Thanks by Giving." With these words for their theme, the Catholic Bishops of the United States have once again put forth their appeal in behalf of the destitute of other lands.

For the 15th consecutive year they are asking members of the 16,000 parishes in these United States to look into their closets and find wearable garments to become bundles of mercy to hundreds of thousands of the poorest of God's poor in areas of great need throughout the world.

Most Rev. Christopher J. Weldon, bishop of the Springfield Catholic Diocese, through Msgr. Walter C. Connell, vicar general, acting in the absence of Bishop Weldon, has appointed Rev. James E. Cronin of Holy Name Church as area chairman for the Agawam District.

Assisting Father Cronin will be a priest director from each of the four Agawam Catholic parishes: Sacred Heart, Rev. George Linse; St. Anthony's, Rev. James Cunningham; St. John's, Rev. John P. Shannon and St. Theresa's, Rev. J. Anthony Menard.

In each of these parishes pastors have designated depots to which the donations of clothes, blankets and usable shoes can be brought during the Thanksgiving Clothing Campaign. The dates set for the collection are Nov. 24 to Dec. 1. Distribution of the collected materials is made by Catholic Relief Services, the overseas aid agency of American Catholics.

## 21 AHS Students Pass Noma Test

Mr. David Skolnick, guidance director, at the Agawam High School announces that 21 students passed with a 100% score in the recent National Office Managers Association Arithmetic and Spelling Test. The test given by the Association is to encourage high school students proficiency in spelling and basic arithmetic problems in the business world.

The following students passed the arithmetic test: Sheryl Blachak, Sheila Dahdah, Linda Dal-Molin, Gary Donnellan, Carol Haynes, Joan Karakla, Marsha MacDonald, John McGrady, Kenneth Moccio, Maria Peretti, Patricia Sady and Sheila Swiklus.

Passing the spelling test were: Nancy Cirillo, Norma Cirillo, Linda Cook, Janet Cousineau, Rose-an DiVirgilio, Cathy Ferrarini, Patricia Repinec, JoAnn Rossi and Sandra Spagnoli.



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## Hospital Benefit Sale Tuesday

A sale for the benefit of the Springfield Municipal Hospital will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 3rd from 7 until 9 in the Parish House of the Agawam Congregational Church, is announced by Mrs. Fred Emerson, chairman. All items are made by the patients.

Many inexpensive gifts can be purchased. There will be woven place mats, woven aprons, ceramics, stuffed toys, tote bags, paintings, woven rugs, knitted goods, doll furniture and other wooden items. Each patient receives a small profit from each sale.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Wickes Management Offers Nation-Wide Training Program

Mr. H. Randall Wickes, president of The Wickes Corporation, Saginaw, Michigan, in conjunction with Dr. Samuel Marble, president of Delta College, Midland, Michigan, today announced "Operation Future", a management training program open to qualified high school graduates or present college students throughout the nation.

Specifically designed to provide the burgeoning Wickes Corporation with management personnel, the three year program will use both the Delta campus and The Wickes Corporation facilities in a "learn and earn" sequence. It will start at Delta College on January

6, 1964.

The student will attend Delta College for one fifteen week trimester and then be assigned for a 15 week earning period in any Wickes division, depending upon desire and ability. This sequence will continue through the three year period, and new classes will begin every trimester.

Mr. David Wallace, Wickes Director of Corporate Training, and a Delta College faculty member, will supervise the program, with the administration of curriculum by a joint corporation-college committee. Students will be assigned to classes in order of application and at the commit-

## Community Grange 382 Meet Tuesday

Community Grange #382 will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd at 8 p.m., in the Grange Hall on North West Street, Feeding Hills.

A musical program is planned with special entertainment by Ronald Sace of Pittsfield 14 Grange and Mrs. Sylvia Chapin and Mrs. Hannah Binns of Community Grange.

Contributions for Care packages will be taken up at this meeting.

Refreshments will be served by Miss Edith Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bradway.

tee's discretion.

"With educational costs rising day by day", Mr. Wickes declared, "Many outstanding high school graduates are caught in an eco-

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## Mail Early For Christmas

Postmaster Mary E. Brady said today, "Early mailing of all Christmas cards and gifts is the biggest single factor in getting all of the mail delivered before Christmas. Post Office facilities have been expanded, ample help will be available, and everything is being geared up to handle a record Christmas mail this year."

The entire Christmas mailing period is a big battle against time. Even though Christmas is a month away by the calendar, it's Christmas every day at the Post Office from now on.

The Postmaster advise, "Don't take chances on mailing poorly wrapped packages. Use sturdy corrugated mailing cartons, plenty of heavy wrapping paper and strong cord. Cartons containing

several gift packages should be well stuffed with tissue or old newspapers to cushion the contents."

She said further, "If you have articles of unusual size or bulk, better check with the Post Office before attempting to mail them. The limits of size and weight of packages vary, depending on where you mail your packages from."

Always send your Christmas cards by First Class mail, using the new five cent Christmas Tree stamps, and be sure your return name and address, including your ZIP Code number, is on each Christmas card envelope.

Before you mail your Christmas cards, secure free labels from

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# ATTEND THANKSGIVING SERVICES

**BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart,  
Pastor  
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,  
Church Secretary  
Mrs. Frank Merchant,  
Organist-Choir Director  
Thursday: THANKSGIVING  
DAY.

Friday: 6:15 p.m. The two  
bowling teams will bowl in the  
Suburban Church Bowling  
League at West Side Alleys.

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. Junior  
Bell Choir rehearsal at church.

Sunday: 9 and 11:10 a.m. TWO  
MORNING WORSHIP SERV-  
ICES . . . Rev. Lockhart will  
preach both services. The Senior  
Choir sing first service, Celestial  
Choir sing second service. Com-  
munion served at both services;  
9:30 and 10 a.m. CHURCH  
SCHOOL for all ages; 6 p.m.  
Senior BYF meet at the church;  
6 p.m. Junior High BYF meet at  
church.

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Amicitia  
Circle meet at home of Mrs.  
Frank Meyer on Birch Hill for  
their supper meeting and Christ-  
mas Party. Miss Jean Goss will  
be co-hostess.

Tuesday: 7 p.m. Celestial Choir  
rehearse at church.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
and 7 to 9 p.m. . . . Trading Post  
open; 3:30 p.m. Melody Choir re-  
hearse at church; 7 p.m. ABC  
Bell Ringers rehearse at church;  
7:45 p.m. The Mid-Year meeting  
of the church in Fellowship  
House. A coffee hour will be held  
before the meeting.

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Floyd C. Bryan, Minister  
Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint,  
Minister of Music  
Friday — 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary  
Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Merri-

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a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday — 9 a.m. Church  
School Nursery-Grade 6; 10 a.m.  
Church School Grades 7-12; 11  
a.m. Church School Nursery-  
Grade 6; 9 and 11 a.m. The  
Church at Morning Worship . . .  
Sermon by the Rev. Bryan; 6  
p.m. Junior Pilgrim Fellowship  
meeting; 7 p.m. Senior Pilgrim  
Fellowship meeting;

Monday — 7:30 p.m. Board of  
Deacons; 7:30 p.m. Church  
Boards Night.

Tuesday — 6:30 p.m. Senior  
High Choir rehearsal.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m.  
Thanksgiving Eve Service.

## ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

THURSDAY — Thanksgiving  
Day—9 a.m. Holy Communion.

Friday — 8 p.m. Junior Choir  
at the church; 7 p.m. Basketball  
teams practice.

Sunday — 8 a.m. Holy Com-  
munion.

10 a.m.—Morning Worship; 7  
p.m. Youth Fellowship meeting.

Monday — 3:15 p.m. Junior  
Girl Scout troop.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Adult  
choir at the church.

## FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney  
Mrs. Fred Nardi, Sr. Organist  
Mrs. D. Myer, Jr. Choir Director  
Thursday — 7 p.m. Choir re-  
hearsal.

Saturday — 9:30 a.m. Junior  
Choir rehearsal; 10:30 a.m. Cher-  
ub Choir rehearsal.

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Sunday  
School; 11 a.m. Worship Service.

## LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister  
Mrs. H. Binns, Organist  
Mrs. M. Keyes, Sr. Choir Director  
Mrs. R. Ashton, Jr. Choir Director

Thursday — 10 a.m. Special  
Thanksgiving Service at church.  
Friday — 6:15 p.m. Bowling  
teams at West Side.

Saturday — 10 a.m. Junior  
choir practice at home of Mrs.  
Ashton.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. First Wor-  
ship Service and Sunday School;  
10:20 a.m. Bible Study; 11 a.m.

## Thanksgiving in New York



November 28 through December 1 can be red-letter days on your  
calendar if you spend them in New York. Keynoting the holiday  
mood is the colorful Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade, this year  
featuring a World's Fair preview. But there are seasonal attrac-  
tions galore for every taste and every member of the family.

**SPORTS:** It's Notre Dame vs.  
Syracuse at Yankee Stadium on  
Nov. 28. Basketball fans will find  
a double-header: New York vs.  
Philadelphia, Baltimore vs. De-  
troit at Madison Square Garden,  
Nov. 30. Boxing is at the Garden  
on Nov. 29.

**THEATRE:** Some Broadway  
hits—"Beyond the Fringe", "A  
Funny Thing Happened on the  
Way to the Forum", "How to  
Succeed in Business Without  
Really Trying", "Irregular Verb  
to Love", "Jennie", "Marathon  
33", "Never Too Late", "She  
Loves Me", "Oliver", "Tovarich".

**MUSIC:** At Carnegie Hall:  
Jazz Concert, Nov. 30. At Lin-  
coln Center: The New York  
Philharmonic, Szell conducting,  
Nov. 28, 29, Dec. 1. At Town  
Hall: Sabicas, Flamenco Guita-  
rist, Nov. 30. At City Center:  
Ballet Folklorico of Mexico,  
Nov. 28-Dec. 1.

Second Worship School; 6:30  
p.m. Senior MYF meeting.

Monday — 3 p.m. Junior MYF  
meeting.

Wednesday — 7 p.m. Senior  
choir practice.

## VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn,  
Guest Minister  
Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary  
Mrs. John MacPherson  
Mrs. Harry Prior,  
Music Directors

Thursday — 7:30 p.m. Choir  
rehearsal at home of Mrs. Harry  
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## Thanksgiving 40 Years Ago

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live comfortably today costs more  
than in the "good old days." But  
according to the Massachusetts  
Department of Agriculture this  
doesn't apply to the cost of pre-  
paring this year's Thanksgiving  
dinner. While the average cost of  
all the fixin's for a family of five  
this year is estimated at \$6.95,  
the same dinner cost \$6.84 back  
in 1923, or seven cents less out of  
grandpa's pocket. But when the  
average wage earner's lot is com-  
pared against 40 years ago, it is  
easy to see that the relative cost  
of Thanksgiving dinner, far from  
advancing, has actually decreased  
considerably. In other words, all  
the fixin's took the wage earner  
more than 10 hours of work in  
the factory to earn; today he  
earns it in a bit over three hours.  
This is based on statistics for  
1923 showing an average wage of  
62 cents an hour compared to  
\$2.25 an hour today.

Here's the breakdown on what  
the fixin's cost approximately to-  
day and 40 years ago:

Item	1923	1963
10 lbs. turkey	6.00	5.50
3 lbs. potatoes	.09	.20
4 lbs. squash	.20	.40
2 lbs. onions	.10	.20
cranberries	.10	.35
celery	.35	.30
cost	\$6.84	\$6.95

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7 p.m.

Following the dinner meeting a  
Christmas program is planned  
featuring a group of Bell Ringers  
under the direction of Mrs. Frank  
Marchant. A Christmas gift wrap  
and decoration program will be  
presented by Mrs. Joel Wuest-  
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A holiday basket will be given  
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Highlights of the evening will  
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## St. John's Guild To Host Yule Party For Golden Age Club

St. John the Evangelist Guild will entertain members of the Agawam Golden Age Club at its December 3rd meeting in St. John's Hall at 8 p.m. The hall will be decorated in the traditional red and green motif with the Christmas tree being the setting for gifts to the Golden Age members. Guild members will bring a gift for the Christmas box for the children at Brightside.

Rev. John P. Shannon, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, will open the meeting with a Christmas message and Mrs. J. Cinton Wright, president, will welcome the members and guests. Mrs. Felix Poggi is serving as general chairman assisted by Mrs. Robert Carney, as co-chairman.

The program for the evening will be by the Golden Bell Ringers, with Loia Shearer, soloist, under the direction of Alice Moore. Members of group are: Sue Edwards, Patricia Dickinson, Merle Davenport, Marjorie Moore, Marjorie Pelley, Jessie McMahon, Bertha Clark. Mrs. George Metayer, a guild member, will also render a solo.

Serving on the committee with Mrs. Poggi are: Mrs. Gustave Benoit, Mrs. John Boldebook, Mrs. Arthur Cirillo, Mrs. Norman Couture, Mrs. Robert Marcus, Mrs. Chester Miller, Mrs. John Moksizin, Mrs. Joseph O'Connor, Mrs. Alfred St. John,

Mrs. Claudia Torrey and Mrs. Robert Sullivan.

Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Harry King, hospitality chairman, and her committee.

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**Cranberries** — Whole fresh berries in good supply; many decorative uses for the holidays as well as for meatime staple recipes.

**Cabbage** — Fresh native cabbage available in quantity; coleslaw recommended as sandwich topping for turkey leftovers; N. E. boiled dinner use with corned beef makes welcome variation from Thanksgiving menu.

**Greenhouse Lettuce** — In better supply this week. This leafy variety preferred for sandwiches and salads for its full flavor and large leaf.

**Greenhouse Tomatoes** — Vine-ripened, in fair supply; reasonably priced, considering excellent quality.

**TODAY'S AGRI-FACT:** The production of beef, poultry and pork grosses about 16 billion dollars in the U.S. — more money than the wholesale value of the 7 million cars manufactured in 1962.

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### Rx For Leftovers



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#### TURKEY ROLL-UPS

2 tbsp. chopped onion  
1/4 lb. butter or margarine  
2 1/2 cups cooked diced potatoes  
1 1/2 cups cooked, drained spinach  
1 tsp. salt, dash of pepper  
12 large thin turkey slices  
1/2 cup slivered toasted almonds  
1 tbsp. A.I. Steak Sauce

Saute onion in 2 tbsp. butter until tender but not brown. Remove from heat, add potatoes, spinach, salt and pepper. Toss together gently. Spoon mixture into center of each turkey slice, fold over ends and secure with wooden cocktail picks. Place in casserole. Melt remaining butter, stir in almonds, A.I. Sauce, pour over roll-ups. Bake at 350 deg. about 25 minutes until lightly brown. Serves 4-6.



At the last meeting of the Agawam Lions Club, Rollie Jacobs of WSPR, Channel 22, put on a very entertaining and interesting sports show covering some of the activities of the Springfield Indians and the Acorns. He also answered many questions on sports in general.

We also had a member in attendance whom we have not seen for quite a while, Percy Fletcher, who is now living at 27 Country View Apartments. He is extremely glad to be back in Agawam and would welcome visitors.

The annual Christmas Stag party will be held at Tinti's on Wednesday, Dec. 18. Committee Chairman John Galica gave a short report and it appears that this year's party will equal or outdo the past ones.

The January meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays instead of the customary 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. The meeting of Jan. 8 will be arranged by a committee composed of John Porter, Nick Zucco and John Mercadante and will be held at a place to be mentioned later.

The Community Birthday Calendars have been given to the salesmen, who plan to deliver them in the very near future. Be on the lookout for yours if you have ordered one.

The Christmas Party for the children will be held this year on December 15 at the usual place, the Agawam Congregational Church Parish Hall. Tom O'Connor.

Political Advertisement

### MY SINCERE THANKS

To the Voters  
of Agawam in  
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Town Moderator

JOHN J. SHEA

nell will welcome any donations to be placed in the bags, also volunteer car drivers to transport the guests to and from the party. The hours will be 2 to 4 Sunday afternoon.

The Club-sponsored Boy Scout Troop 89 will conduct a paper drive on Saturday, Dec. 14, so

save your papers and give them to the Scouts.

Sight Seals have been mailed to everybody in Town, and we hope you will mail in a contribution. Remember the money in this fund is spent on those Agawam residents who are in need of eye care.

## A Message of Thanks

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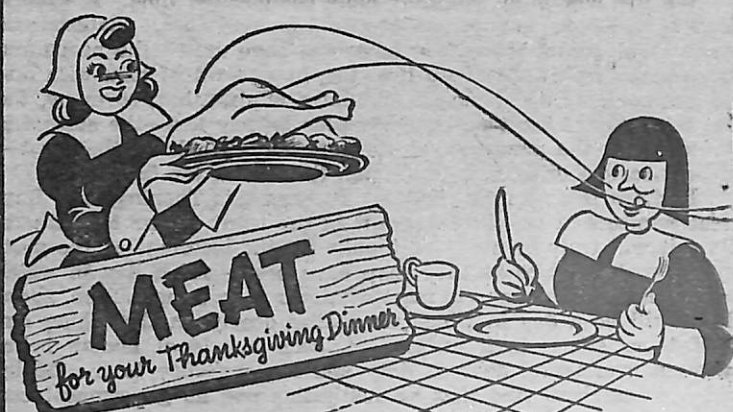
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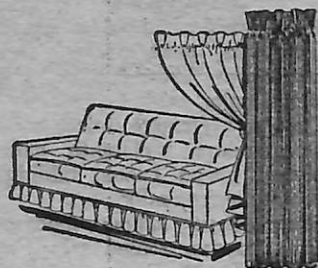
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## THANKSGIVING DAY

"Dear the people coming home,  
Dear glad faces long away,  
Dear the merry cries, and dear  
All the glad and happy play.  
Dear the thanks, too, that we give  
For all of this, Thanksgiving Day."

This simple verse was written many years ago by Harriet Prescott Spofford. It tells of the traditional Thanksgiving—the Thanksgiving our grandfathers knew, and that Currier and Ives immortalized in engravings. It was, of course, a day of rest and feasting. But it was more, much more—a day of prayer in which gratitude was offered for the good things of the past, and hope was held out for the future. And it was a day of affirmation in the existence of a higher power than man, and of faith in the workings of a divine providence.

We live now in an infinitely more complicated time. A sophistication of dubious quality has obscured many values. Materialistic advances of almost incredible dimension have dulled the needs and wants of the spirit. And we live, too, in a world so torn with dissection, covering every aspect of human affairs, that, to many, the real relevance of Thanksgiving has been largely lost—the eternal is buried under the pressures of the moment. We have the feast—without remembering and pondering, the reason for the feast.

Perhaps this all may change. Perhaps this Thanksgiving Day, great numbers of us will observe it in the spirit of our forefathers. If so, it will truly be a day of thanks for the blessings of the past, broken with troubles as they may have been—and a day in which we will find new courage to meet whatever is to come. Then, above all, it will be a day in which we realize deeply another thing our forefathers knew—that, under God, each individual human being owes an everlasting debt of duty and responsibility to his family and his neighbors, and that no institution and no government can discharge it for him.

## Waste Collections

### ROUTE 5

Friday, Nov. 29 — Alexander Ave., Barry, Belmont Ave., Bristol Dr., Carol Ave., Churchill Ave., Hamilton Dr., New York Ave., North St. Ext., North West, North Westfield, Overlook Dr., Parkview Dr., Pine, Richmond Ave., Roosevelt Ave., South West, South Westfield, Southwick, Sunset Ter. and Thalia Drive.

### ROUTE 6

Monday, Dec. 2 — Adams, Cosgrove, DePalma, Doane Ave., Edgewater Rd., Franklin St. Ext., Garden, Memorial Dr., Mountainview, Oxford, Phil, Poplar, Porter Dr., Ridge Ave., Shoemaker Ln., Silver, Silver Lake Dr., South, Suffield and Vadais St.

### ROUTE 7

Tuesday, Dec. 3 — Althea Dr., Anthony, Belle, Centre, Clematis Dr., Colonial Ave., Cooper, Elsie, Fairview, Federal Ave., Federal, Federal St. Ext., Harvey Johnson Dr., Karen Dr., Ley, Poinsetta, Potomac Pl., Prine Ln., Reed, Samuel, Senator Ave., Stanley Pl., Valentine, Valentine St. Ext., Vernon, Virginia, Washington, Westford Cir. and Woodside Dr.

### ROUTE 8

Wednesday, Dec. 4 — Birchill, Rd., Carr Ave., Elm, Emerson,

Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Kanawa Ave., Lealand Ave., Main, Mar-dale Ave., Nile Ave., Parker, Perry Ln., Raymond Cir., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., South Park Ter., Stewart Ln., Sunnyslope Ave., Thirlmere Ave., Veranda Ave., Woodcliffe Ave. and Wright St.

### ROUTE 9

Thursday, Dec. 5 — Albert, Alhambra Cir., Barney, Central, Corey, Edith Ave., Edward, Elbert Rd., Ellison Ave., Frank, Hunt, James Ave., John, Joseph, Kirkland, Liberty Ave., Maple Ave., Meadow, Meadow Ave., Monroe, Pomeroy, River Rd., School, Seymore Ave., Sterling Rd., Sunrise Ter., Willard Ave. and Wyman Ave.

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## SOCIAL SECURITY



Questions and Answers

Q. I operate a small resort on a lake. I work only during the summer months but make about \$3000. Both my wife and I are over 65. Can we receive any social security payments?

A. Yes. You may receive social security benefits for yourself and your wife during the months in which you do not render substantial services in your business. This is true even though your earnings for the year would not otherwise permit you to receive benefits. Get in touch with your nearest social security office for further information.

Q. I will be 73 years old in January. I am still working full time and earn over \$10,000 a year. Should I wait until I retire to apply for my benefits?

A. No! The law provides that social security benefits are payable to an eligible person at age 72 regardless of the amount he earns. Benefits may be payable to you back to January. Don't delay, check today.

Q. My husband died five years ago. I have been receiving social security payments for my two children but never applied for any for myself because I was still working. I earn \$1700 a year. Should I be receiving anything for myself?

A. It is possible that some benefits may be payable to you even though you are earning over \$1200. A social security beneficiary who earns \$1700 in a year would have \$250 withheld from his total benefits for the year, but would be paid the rest of his social security benefits. You should get in touch with your nearest social security office for further information and to apply for any benefits due you.

Q. Three years ago, I was told that since I was earning over \$2080 and working full time, no social security benefits would be payable to me. I was told I could get \$115 a month for myself and \$57.50 for my wife, if I retired. I earn about \$2200 a year. Have the recent changes in the law made it possible for us to receive anything?

A. Yes. With earnings of \$2200 a year, you and your wife would be able to receive about \$1320 in benefits. To be eligible for these benefits, you should apply for them immediately.

Q. I am 63 years of age. My earnings are between \$2000 and \$2300 per year. Since I work full time, I am not able to go to the social security office. How can I find out if I may receive some benefits?

A. Because of the recent changes in the law, it may be possible for you to receive some social security benefits. You may request Leaflet 23c from your nearest social security office.

## VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The third game of the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held in the National Guard Armory on Maynard Street last Wednesday evening. Door prizes were won by Ann Hyde, Chester Gillette, Carl Carrier and Mary Palczynski.

Mystery prizes were won by Ruth Cusson, Mary Haley and Ed Burton. Ace prizes were won by Grace Lancour for the ladies and Harold Vaughn took the honors for the men.

The following play prizes were awarded: Ladies—1st Irma Tracey, 2nd Isabel Smith, 3rd Thelma White and consolation, Mary Waltein; Men—1st Ed Burton, 2nd Charles Rinker, 3rd Chester Gillette and consolation, Ed Lancour.

Another Whist Party will be held next Wednesday...why not come over and try your luck and skill...same time...same place.

The man you help is bound to remember you—the next time he gets into trouble.



December 2

through

December 6

### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, hamburger on roll, potato chips, whole kernel corn, mustard, relish, onions, peanut butter honey sandwich, gingerbread w/whipped cream, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat, tomato sauce, buttered green beans, Italian roll/butter, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, beef stew w/vegetables, dinner roll w/butter, chocolate cake w/butter icing, milk.

Thursday: Baked link sausage, parslid potato, applesauce, bread/butter, butter cake w/hot fudge sauce, milk.

Friday: Pizza w/tomato, cheese sauce, garden salad w/spinach greens, peanut butter marshmallow sandwich, peanut butter cookies, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, ravioli in meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, apple crisp, bread/butter, milk.

Tuesday: Fruit juice, hamburger in gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, gingerbread, bread/butter, milk.

Wednesday: Minestrone soup, peanut butter sandwiches, oatmeal cookies, sliced pineapple, milk.

Thursday: Juice, hamburger on roll, green beans, deep dish apple pie, peanut butter sandwiches, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish salad, potato chips, beets, tossed salad, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, bread/butter, milk.

### DANAHI

Monday: Mashed potato, creamed chicken, peas/carrots, cranberry sauce, bread/butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, meatball grinders w/tomato sauce, buttered green beans, midnight chocolate cake, milk.

Wednesday: Elbow macaroni w/meat sauce, tossed salad, rye bread/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday: Blended juice, frank-furt on roll w/mustard, relish, buttered corn, applesauce cake, milk.

Friday: Tomato-vegetable-rice soup, tuna salad sandwiches, celery sticks, pineapple square, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Italian spaghetti with tomato, meat sauce, buttered green beans, rye bread/butter, sliced peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Beef in gravy, mashed potatoes, diced carrots, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple upside-down cake, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, minced ham and cheese sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, whole kernel corn, cranberry-nut cake, milk.

Thursday: Meat balls in tomato sauce, fried potatoes, Waldorf salad, Vienna bread/butter, ice cream cup, milk.

Friday: Tomato soup (oyster-ettes), tuna fish salad sandwich or peanut butter sandwich, celery-carrot sticks, peanut butter cookies, fresh apple, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Frankfurt on hot buttered roll, bake beans, cole slaw, w/grated cheese, peanut butter sandwich, apricots, milk.

Tuesday: Baked meat loaf, parsley potatoes, buttered beets, bread/butter, peanut butter chocolate cookies, milk.

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Wednesday: Spaghetti w/meat, tomato sauce, crinkle carrots, buttered carrots, buttered Vienna bread, apple crisp w/cheese wedge, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, open face hot turkey sandwich, buttered peas, whole cranberry sauce, chocolate cake w/mocha icing, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna sail boat, kernel corn, potato chips, peaches, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Ravioli in meat and tomato sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Grilled hamburger in buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, tangerine, milk.

Wednesday: Hamburg gravy on mashed potato, buttered carrots, bread/butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

Thursday: Juice, homemade turkey soup w/vegetables, turkey salad sandwich, peanut butter cookie, banana, milk.

Friday: Citrus juice, baked beans w/catsup, tossed salad, peanut butter sandwiches, peaches, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Juice, frankfurt in buttered roll, mustard, relish, buttered carrots, apple cake, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg gravy on mashed potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, pineapple chunks, milk.

Wednesday: Turkey soup with vegetables, turkey salad sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, celery-carrot sticks, fresh fruit, cookie, milk.

Thursday: Juice, grinders (meat, lettuce, tomato, cheese), potato chips, sliced pickles, sliced peaches, milk.

Friday: Oven baked fish sticks, parsley potato, buttered green beans, bread/butter, apple crisp, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Minestrone beef soup, crackers, celery sticks, peanut butter sandwich, strawberry cake w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Tomato juice, hot beef sandwich w/gravy, French fries, buttered green beans, sliced peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, meat ravioli w/tomato sauce, fruit slaw salad, cranberry nut bread, pineapple tapioca pudding, milk.

Thursday: Pineapple - orange juice, meat ball grinder, buttered carrots, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Baked beans, fish cake, apple-cabbage salad, jelly sandwich, date squares, milk.

## Mail Early . . .

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the Post Office which read, "ALL FOR LOCAL DELIVERY" and "ALL FOR OUT OF TOWN DELIVERY", so that you can sort your cards into two bundles, with the addresses all facing one way, thus expediting delivery.

Send all Christmas mail going long distances before December 10th. Follow up promptly with cards and gifts for local delivery. Mail "Early and Often" for a merrier Christmas!

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## HEALTH FOR ALL . . .

### Dig Those Crazy Stamps!

Most of us like flash and color on our Christmas-time letters, cards, and packages. It's in the spirit of the season. Lively reds and greens and blues — the more the better, right? Not like the drab old black and white we see in our letter box all year long!

Well, if you want brightness on your mail, you've got it this year, brother! As usual, there's the Christmas Seal that's been fighting tuberculosis and other respiratory diseases for years. As it always has been (for almost sixty years!), the Christmas Seal is a lively spot of cheer that adds a big lift to your cards and gift packages. This year it features a perky little snowman who will make the spirit of Christmas dance all over the local post office for the next month and a half.

But this year (like last) we also have the Post Office Department's own Christmas stamps. Like the Seals they're lively, colorful and all out Christmasy, too — and when you use them, along with a generous plastering of the Seals, your gift package to Grandma back home is going to look like an explosion in a color paint factory!

The stamp and the Seal are different — the first carries the mail, the second is carried BY it. But they're alike in one thing. They carry a message of cheer and hope that is the Christmas feeling we all should have and pass on to others. Both the Christmas Seal and the Christmas stamp belong on every piece of mail that goes out around this

time of year.

Especially the Seal. That's a token that means we're licking disease and tragedy, moving ahead to eradicate tuberculosis and control the other respiratory diseases. It's just what the Christmas Season needs!

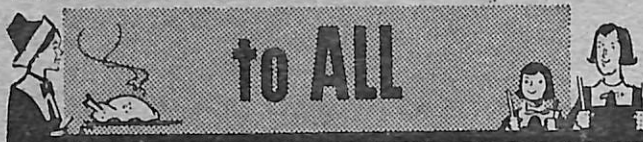
This column sponsored in the

interest of better health by the Hampden County Tuberculosis and Public Health Association.

Mounds of hard sauce add a holiday touch to top puddings and pies . . . use a lavish hand with butter and cream in the making.

Leftover holiday turkey is delicious chopped and heated in gravy — at the last minute, stir in a generous amount of fresh soured cream. Serve on toast points, or fill hot popovers with the mixture.

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### Wickes Mgt. . . .

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economic squeeze. Industry needs their potential talents more than ever before, yet rising costs price many of them out of a sound economic future."

Delta College Campus View  
Campus of Delta College, Midland, Michigan, pictured above was designed by Alden B. Dow,

architect, is scene of three year Wickes Corporation Delta College Training Course.

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## LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchepaugh

The 259th meeting of Hampden Council was held at GAR Hall on Friday evening, Nov. 15th, with 54 delegates representing 31 Units present, of which Agawam had three delegates, Mrs. Jane Whalen, Mrs. Dorothy Kennedy, and Mrs. Gladys Catchepaugh.

Miss Venert, head nurse at Monson State Hospital, thanked the Auxiliary for its efforts on behalf of the patients. She said that the first Unit, Agawam, started to help them in 1949. Mrs. Julia Moore led the group in providing special chairs for the children, and in their part in sponsoring shows put on by the patients. Other County Units followed, purchasing forty chairs in all, aiding with the shows, and donating good used clothing. Through the County Auxiliary's assistance, they now have playground equipment and other needed things, but the most important contribution has been the members' personal interest.

Mr. Snedding of Leeds Hospital also expressed his appreciation for the work done by the American Legion Auxiliary. He cited the Gift Shop as a wonderful project, and said he received many letters of appreciation from the families of patients. Two Agawam members received citations for Volunteer Service. Mrs.

Jane Whalen for 200 hours and Mrs. Belle Russell for 100 hours. An afghan was presented from the Agawam Unit for the Holyoke Soldiers' Home. This was nearly completed by Mrs. Grace Tyler.

It was announced that the Department Scholarship has been permanently named the "Margaret P. Estelle Scholarship."

### Unit Meeting

Following the next Unit meeting on Dec. 2nd, a Tri-Chem Paint Party will be held. Mrs. Gladys Belcher and Mrs. Dolores Lanzillo will serve as hostesses.

### Christmas Gift Shop

Agawam Unit, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Anna Bissonette, will work at the Christmas Gift Shop on Dec. 5th. Volunteers are asked.

### Reception . . .

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Mrs. Benjamin Deliso, president of the Agawam Center Library Association has appointed Mrs. Thomas D. Hess as chairman to be assisted by Mrs. Peter D. Bissell and Mrs. Deliso. Mrs. Hess has named the following committee chairmen: Mrs. Winslow A. Stahle, tea table; Mrs. David Skolnick, invitations; Mrs. Joseph P. McMahon, hostess; Mrs. Raymond E. Olson, refreshments, assisted by Mrs. Donald R. Langevin, and Mrs. Robert W. Hall, flowers.

### Twins Mother Club Yule Party Monday

The Hampden County Mother of Twins Club will hold a Christmas Party, Monday, Dec. 2, 1963 at the Chapter House for the Blind, 910 Liberty Street, Springfield, Mass., in lieu of its regular business meeting.

Festivities will begin promptly at 7:30 with a smorgasbord. Santa will be on hand to distribute the 50 cent gifts that each member is reminded to bring. Fun and frolic to follow.

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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

The taking of deer in Massachusetts with the gun will open officially Monday, Dec. 2 and will run through Saturday, Dec. 7. Looks like there will be no white stuff covering the landscape deer week. It will make tracking after a hit difficult for many hunters. If you think that you have hit a deer, by all means follow it up, and don't give up searching for it too readily for it may be lying over the next small knoll in the woods.

We have observed more deer sign this year while hunting rabbits and partridge than last year. Granville, Tolland, Blandford, Sandisfield, Montgomery and Chester have substantial deer populations. The most heavily populated area we hunted was in Belchertown. Going by past performances, there will be a hunter for every other tree opening day in the area.

Donald Langevin of Thalia

Drive, Feeding Hills, downed his first deer with the bow and arrow this past season in Mass. The deer weighed 140 pounds dressed, and was nailed in the Pittsfield area.

Bowhunting for deer will open in Vermont this coming Saturday, Nov. 30. This will be the first time that the season has come after the gun season. We are anxious to find out the effect the gun hunting will have on the habits of the deer after resting one week.

### Pheasant Booklet Available

"The Pheasant in Massachusetts" is the title of a new publication being offered to the public by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Game.

A 16-page illustrated booklet co-authored by Bill Pollack, Chief Game Biologist, and George Pushee, Game Biologist, the pamphlet treats all phases of the life of the ringneck pheasant in the Bay State, including a history of the bird here, a life history of the species, and the roles of stocking, management and hunting of the exotic gamesters.

Anyone desiring a free copy of this interesting and informative booklet may receive one by sending a self-addressed, legal size envelope bearing four cents in postage to Fisheries and Game Field Headquarters, Westboro, Massachusetts.

The total number of legal deer killed in Vermont during the open season from reports received at the office of the Fish and Game Department, Montpelier, Vermont, Nov. 23, comes to 7914.

Last year on the same date it was 9985. It is a substantial drop this year over last. I scouted up in the Brookline Valley area and Athens sections Sunday. The lack of hunters was very noticeable throughout those areas. The National Tragedy and it being the last day could have been the reason.

## TURKEY SHOOT

The Turkey Shoot that was scheduled to be held last Sunday by the Veterans of World War One at the Agawam Sportsman Club was postponed to this Sunday out of respect for our beloved President John F. Kennedy.



**BE A GOOD FISHING GUEST**  
"One of the most successful anglers I know," writes a gentleman in Colorado, "makes a point of belittling his fishing abilities. Yet his experiences are amazing."

This letter was sent to the fishing authorities at Mercury outboards, who felt it contained a message that might be of help to many of us.

It seems that this fisherman had an uncanny knack of discovering outstanding fishing wherever he went, and in some of the most unlikely places.

Whenever he drove into a new town, he would visit the local sporting goods store. "Hear you fellas have good fishin' hereabouts," he'd inquire, even if the map failed to show a body of water large enough to hold goldfish for miles around. Someone would usually "reckon there was."

Then, very casually, he let it be known he liked to fish, but, being a stranger, he needed help in getting headed in the right direction. Once his sincerity was established, he'd be referred to one of the town's most avid anglers.

Then it wouldn't take long to wangle an invitation to "come along in the morning and I'll show you some real fishin'." Many times he'd end up at a farm pond, once a stock watering tank — but always there was adventure and another new friend.

This man practiced two important things: (1) give others a chance to demonstrate their skills and knowledge, and (2) tarry long enough at every crossroad to investigate its fishing possibilities.

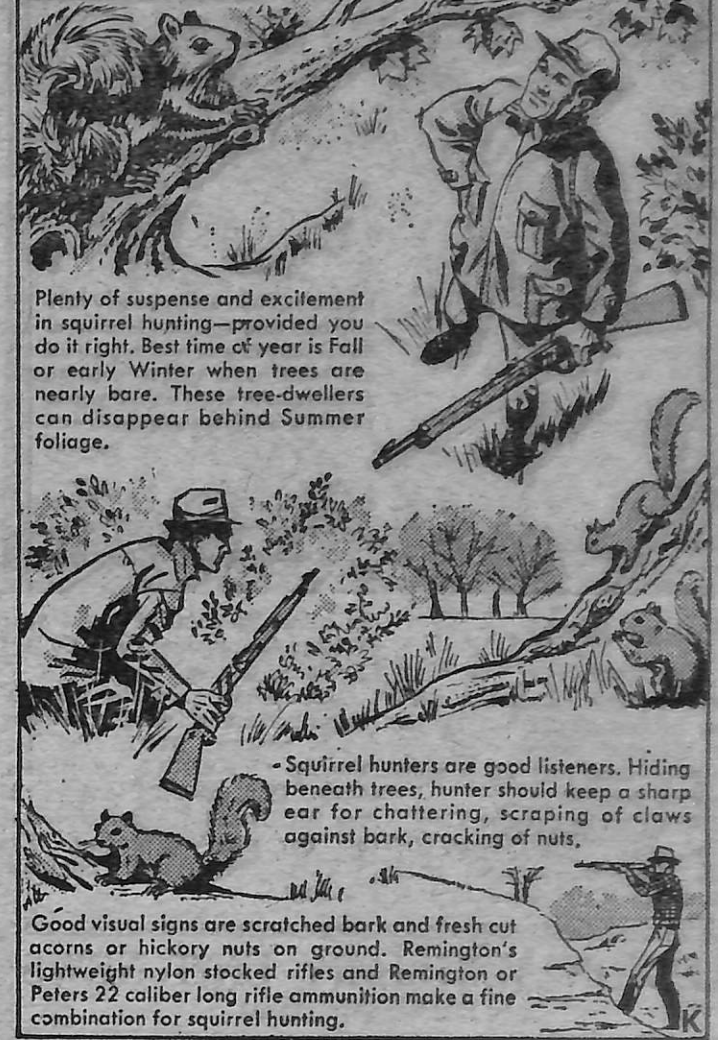
In addition, he was always ready to leave on time, cheerfully carried his share of the trip's expenses, provided his own tackle, took his turn at the motor, and kept his mouth shut about how great "fishin'" was back home.

If more of us would adopt these tactics, an astounding number of new fishing opportunities would unfold.

Try your hand with a baked Alaska! It can be made ahead and stores well in the freezer. At the last minute, brown it, serve, and stand by for applause.

## The Sportsman's Corner

by Dr. Joe Linduska, Remington Wild Life Expert



Plenty of suspense and excitement in squirrel hunting—provided you do it right. Best time of year is Fall or early Winter when trees are nearly bare. These tree-dwellers can disappear behind Summer foliage.

Squirrel hunters are good listeners. Hiding beneath trees, hunter should keep a sharp ear for chattering, scraping of claws against bark, cracking of nuts.

Good visual signs are scratched bark and fresh cut acorns or hickory nuts on ground. Remington's lightweight nylon stocked rifles and Remington or Peters 22 caliber long rifle ammunition make a fine combination for squirrel hunting.

## KISS YOUR WIFE ALA ADVISES

**BOSTON** — If you're mad at your wife about burnt toast at breakfast don't stay mad when you're driving to the office. Go back and give her a kiss, say the safety experts at the A.L.A.

According to surveys, mental attitudes have a great deal to do

with highway accidents and you might take out your bad humor on other drivers.

The A.L.A. safety people did not mention kissing your secretary after a hard day at the office.

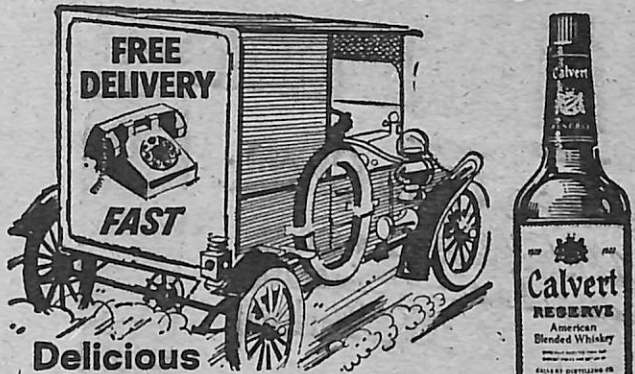
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Agawam at Greenfield 26 12

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### Winter Time Recipes

Leftover roast lamb, combined with rice, will make a fine piping hot dinner casserole for a chilly night.

**BAKED LAMB AND RICE**  
2 medium-size onions, chopped  
2 tablespoons lamb fat  
2 cups ground roast lamb  
2 cups cooked rice  
1 can (28 oz.) tomatoes, drained  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1 1/2 teaspoons paprika  
1 teaspoon Lea & Perrins  
Worcestershire Sauce  
1 slice bacon, diced  
Cook onion in the fat for 5 minutes. Add remaining ingredients, except the bacon. Put into a baking dish and sprinkle with the bacon. Bake in a moderate oven (375° F.) about 45 minutes. (Serves 4)

The lowly onion can be a glamorous cold-weather dish when served with tangy cheese sauce.

**SAUCY ONIONS**  
4 large Bermuda onions  
8 ounces Cheddar cheese, diced  
3 tablespoons butter  
1 teaspoon Lea & Perrins  
Worcestershire sauce  
Peel onions and slice a quarter-inch thick. Cook in salted boiling water for 10 minutes. Drain and reserve 1/2 cup of the onion liquid. Combine this with the remaining ingredients. Cook over very low heat until the cheese melts. Pour over the onions, and serve. (Serves 6)

A survey of New York restaurant waiters shows that men who escort blondes leave larger tips than those who escort brunettes.

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## European Ski Instructors To Join Mt. Tom Staff

Arriving in this country the first of December are five European ski instructors who will be teaching full time on the staff of the Ski School at the Mt. Tom Ski Area (Holyoke, Mass.). The Mt. Tom Ski School is directed by Jules Eberhard, a native of Switzerland, and a Swiss and U. S. Eastern certified professional ski teacher.

Four of the Europeans are Swiss (two men and two women) and the fifth is a young man from Italy. All instructors are certified professional ski instructors in their respective countries with a wide background of ski teaching and competition experience.

### Expand Facilities

Extensive expansion of facilities at the Mt. Tom Ski Area is now nearing completion. Work was started last June in preparation for the 63-64 skiing season.

### Main Slope Area Tripled

The main slope area directly in front of the base lodge has been extended up to mountain close to 4000 feet. Over 5000 pounds of dynamite were used, along with heavy earthmoving equipment to transform the mountainside into a broad avenue down the mountain. In addition to the slope expansion, a mile long trail known as the Tote Road, has been cut down the mountainside. The entire new open slope area will be serviced by expanded snow-making facilities.

### New T-Bar Lift

A new 2200' Doppelways T-Bar lift is now being installed and is scheduled for completion by Thanksgiving Day. The new lift which has a capacity of 1100 skiers per hour will take skiers to the top of the mountain next to the new upper slope area. Ski lifts at the Mt. Tom Ski Area now include a 3450' double chair-lift, two T-Bar lifts, and two Tows.

### Many Other Improvements

At the base lodge area a new two-story alpine styled ski shop building has been completed with one entire floor devoted to ski rental equipment

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This year's income reporting time begins again on December 1 for 26,583 disabled veterans and the dependents of some 22,917 deceased veterans receiving VA pension in Massachusetts, William F. Connors, manager of the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Boston, explained today.

Along with their November 30 checks, all VA pension recipients will receive enclosed tabulating cards. They carry the words "please do not mutilate." It is important that these instructions be followed.

On these cards beneficiaries must report all income received during 1963 and that expected in 1964. Income means everything including Social Security payments except, of course, the VA pension payments themselves.

Law requires the VA to use the reports to determine continued eligibility of pensioners and in some cases to make adjustments on the basis of increased or decreased outside income.

Prompt and accurate reporting can prevent any hold-up in pension payments.

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Veterans, and the widows and children of deceased veterans, receiving pension from Veterans Administration should report immediately any increase in income which would raise their annual income above the statutory limits or into brackets that call for reducing the amount of pension.

To remain eligible for pension under the law, those pensioners who were on VA's rolls before July 1, 1960 may not have income from all sources exceeding \$1400 without dependents or \$2700 with wife or minor child.

Pensioners added to VA rolls after July 1, 1960 are entitled to no pension if, as a single person, their income exceeds \$1800 or \$3000 with dependents. VA should be notified if the recipient's income rises from one of the lower brackets—\$600 and \$1200 for a single veteran or widow without dependents, and \$1000 and \$2000 for a veteran or widow with dependents.

Veterans, widows and children receiving pension can save themselves inconvenience and possibly money by notifying VA promptly of any increase in income which would put them above the statutory limitations.

Pensions are payable to veterans for permanent and total disabilities of a nonservice-con-

nected nature, and to widows and children of deceased veterans for nonservice-connected deaths, provided the applicants are otherwise eligible.

Any VA office can explain full eligibility requirements for pension.

Don't blind the other driver. The Automobile Legal Association advises motorists to use the lower headlight beam when following or passing another car. High beams, the ALA says, can be reflected in the rear-view mirror.

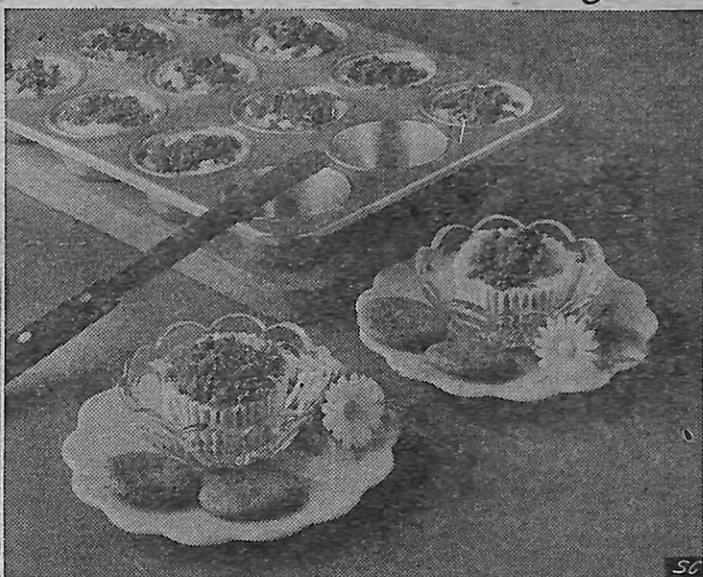
## Deadline Near For CG Academy Tests

Eligible young men are reminded that the deadline for submitting applications to complete for appointment as a Cadet in the U. S. Coast Guard, is approaching.

The 88th annual competition for admission to the U. S. Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn., will commence with the Dec. 7, 1963 administration of the College Entrance Examination Board tests. Appointments are made solely on a competitive basis, with no Congressional appointments or geographical quotas.

Additional information and application forms can be obtained from high school guidance counselors or by writing to the Commandant (PTP-2), U. S. Coast Guard, Washington, D. C. 20226.

## Make New Mince Meat Delight



Ready-to-use mince meat continues to win new culinary honors because of its many delicious uses and its year-round availability. The latest evidence of its versatility is in the form of a frozen mince meat chifon dessert, perfected by the Borden Kitchen. Prepare and serve individual desserts in paper baking cups. There's no cooking required. Place the desserts in the freezer before lunch and they will be ready to be served with the evening meal.

### Frozen Mince Meat Chifon Dessert

(Makes eighteen 1/4-cup servings or 4-1/2 cups before freezing)

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| 1 cup finely crushed gingersnaps (28-30 snaps)           | 1 cup None Such Ready-to-Use Mince Meat     |
| 1/4 cup sugar  | 1 teaspoon rum extract                      |
| 1/4 cup butter, melted                                   | 1 cup (1/2 pint) heavy cream                |
| 1-1/3 cups (15-oz.) Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk | 1 (8-oz.) jar Maraschino cherries, optional |
| 1/4 cup Real Lemon Juice                                 |   |

Place 18 paper baking cups into 2-1/2 inch diameter muffin pans. Combine gingersnap crumbs, 2 tablespoons of the sugar and melted butter. Blend with pastry blender or fork until mixture is crumbly. Place one heaping teaspoon of crumb mixture in each paper cup. Set aside remaining mixture. With back of spoon, press crumbs evenly over bottom of cups. In large bowl, stir sweetened condensed milk and lemon juice until well blended. Add mince meat and extract. Mix well and set aside. Whip the heavy cream while gradually adding the 2 remaining tablespoons of sugar. Whip until peaks form. Fold into mince meat mixture. Spoon 1/4 cup of the combined ingredients into each crumb-lined baking cup. Sprinkle 1 heaping teaspoon of remaining crumbs evenly over each filled cup. Place in freezer about 4 hours, or until frozen. To serve, carefully remove paper cups from muffin pans and place on dessert plates. If desired, garnish each with a maraschino cherry.

## A National Holiday... 100 Years Old

Since Thanksgiving Day this year will mark the 100th year that it has been observed as a national holiday it is fitting that special homage should be paid to the woman whose relentless crusade established it as an official and uniform day of celebration.

For 17 years, Sarah Hale, editor of Godey's Lady's Book, campaigned to unify the states in common observance of a day of thanks. Despite national contempt in the 19th century for feminine meddling in public affairs, not once did the tiny, but fiery and courageous woman abandon her crusade.

From 1846 to 1863 she pleaded with three presidents (Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan) and wrote countless editorials in her magazine, fighting for her cause.

By 1849 several states were celebrating Thanksgiving separately; no two states observed the holiday on the same day. Three years later, in 1852, Mrs. Hale had succeeded in having 29 states join in observing Thanksgiving on the last Thursday in November as a unified day of thanks.

In 1863 her appeal to a great American crowned her crusade in victory. Through a proclamation by President Abraham Lincoln, the last Thursday in November was established as a day of national thanksgiving.

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